

THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

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Requesting Department: Storm Water Department
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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

FOR

AS-NEEDED ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (H105099)

The City of San Diego (City) is requesting proposals from highly qualified biological services firms for As-Needed Environmental Monitoring Professional Services (H105099).

It is the policy of the City to provide equal opportunity in its biological services professional services contracts. Toward this end, proposals from small businesses, disabled owned businesses, women owned businesses, firms owned by African-Americans, American Indians, Asian-Americans, Filipinos, and Latinos, and local firms are strongly encouraged. Prime consultants are encouraged to sub consult or joint venture with these firms. The City endeavors to do business with firms sharing the City's commitment to equal opportunity and will not do business with any firm that discriminates on the basis of race, religion, color, ancestry, age, gender, sexual orientation, disability, medical condition or place of birth. This project has a voluntary Subcontracting Participation Level (SPL) goal of 15%. SPL goals are achieved by contracting with any combination of Minority Business Enterprises (MBE), Women Business Enterprises (WBE), Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE), Disabled Veterans Business Enterprises (DVBE) or Other Business Enterprises (OBE) at the prime or subcontractor level. Definitions of MBE, WBE, DBE, DVBE and OBE are contained in the Request for Proposals (RFP). Attainment of the SPL goal is strongly encouraged, but strictly voluntary.

The City of San Diego will ensure that full access to programs, services, meetings and activities comply with Section 504, Title V, of the Rehabilitation Act and Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) 1990, Public Law 101-336.

In-depth knowledge and a strong understanding of the local environment, and a local presence for interfacing with the City's project management staff are essential to the successful completion of this project. The proposal must address the consultant's knowledge and understanding of: the City and other local agencies regulations and policies; local environment; and local building codes and other design criteria. The proposal must also address how the consultant plans to interface with the City's project management staff and the consultant's

workforce in San Diego County.

All proposals submitted must be in full accord with the Request for Proposals (RFP) which can be obtained by requesting the RFP **via email** from John Mendivil, Consultant Services Coordinator, at: jmendivil@sandiego.gov

City of San Diego, Purchasing & Contracting Department Attn: John Mendivil, Contracting Division 1200 Third Avenue, Suite 200 San Diego, CA 92101

When requesting the RFP, please refer to the specific project title and number, **As-Needed Environmental Monitoring Professional Services (H105099)**. For questions about the RFP please call John Mendivil at (619) 235-5855.

A preproposal conference will be held on, Thursday, May 6, 2010, 2:30 PM, at Comerica Bank Building, Wada - Large Conference Room 8A, 600 B Street, San Diego, CA 92101. It is strongly recommended that all interested parties attend. For more information, assistance, to request an agenda in alternative format, or to request a sign language or oral interpreter for the meeting, please contact Ruth Kolb, at 858-541-4328 at least five working days prior to the meeting to ensure availability.

Proposals are due no later than **5:00 p.m.**, Friday, May 28, 2010, at the location stated in the RFP. This RFP does not commit the City to award a contract or to defray any costs incurred in the preparation of a proposal pursuant to this RFP. The City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals received as a result of this RFP. The City also reserves the right to revise this RFP, including but not limited to the preproposal conference date and the proposal due date. If the City revises the RFP, all RFP holders of record will be notified in writing by the City.

Summary Scope of Services

The Storm Water Department is responsible for the development and implementation of rules and regulations that affect urban runoff and storm water discharges into and from the City's storm drain system. Projects for this Request for Proposals (RFP) are designed to address questions regarding the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit conditions, Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs), Area of Special Biological Significance (ASBS), Clean-up & Abatement Orders (CAOs), and other regulatory actions that impact the City's storm drain system. Tasks range from preparing plans, conducting monitoring, analyzing data, performing modeling, attending meetings, preparing reports, preparing recommendations, and providing presentations. These projects will address a variety of pollutants of concern, such as metals, pesticides, PCBs, organics, and others as needed. Matrices that can be included in a project are water, sediment, air, toxicity, bioassessment, and benthic community assessments. The evaluation of these matrices are used to identify sources of pollution, evaluate the trends, determine strategies, and propose solutions to improve water quality in a scientifically-based, cost effective manner. Information from these projects will be used to present the City's position in regards to the developments of regulatory policies, Basin Plan amendments, and other regulatory documents. The remainder of the Scope of Services is contained in the Request for Proposals for As-Needed Environmental Monitoring Professional Services (H105099), as Exhibit A to the Draft Agreement.